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SUBJECT: STATEMENT FOR HEARINGS

1. U.S. ADVISORY COMMISSION ON INTERNATIONAL EDUCATIONAL  
AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS REQUESTS THAT FOLLOWING STATEMENT BE  
INCORPORATED INTO HEARINGS OF YOUR COMMITTEE FEBRUARY 17  
ON U.S. FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR UNESCO.

2. THE COMMISSION HAS FOLLOWED CLOSELY FOR ALMOST TWO  
YEARS DEVELOPMENTS IN UNESCO AND THEIR AFFECT ON INTER-  
NATIONAL CULTURAL RELATIONS OF U.S. ON APRIL 17, 1975  
I SENT TO THE HOUSE RESOLUTION OF COMMISSION URGING  
PRESIDENT TO USE HIS INFLUENCE TO PERSUADE UNESCO TO CON-  
CENTRATE ON ITS BASIC OBJECTIVES AND THUS ASSURE CONTINU-  
ING U.S. FINANCIAL SUPPORT. ON OCTOBER 20, 1976 I SENT  
TO CONGRESS SECOND MESSAGE FROM COMMISSION RECOMMENDING  
THAT U.S. OPPOSE AT UNESCO GENERAL CONFERENCE IN NAIROBI  
DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLES ON GATHERING AND DISSEMINATION  
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OF NEWS WHICH WAS TO BE DISCUSSED BUT ALSO RECOMMENDING  
THAT "U.S. SHOULD ADJUST ITS FINANCIAL STATUS IN UNESCO SO  
THAT IT COULD PARTICIPATE FULLY IN GENERAL CONFERENCE."  
BOTH THESE STATEMENTS EXPLICITLY OR IMPLICITLY REFLECTED  
COMMISSION'S VIEW THAT IF UNESCO TOOK STEPS TO ELIMINATE  
POLITICIZATION OF ITS ACTIONS, IT WAS VERY MUCH IN U.S.  
NATIONAL INTEREST TO PARTICIPATE FULLY IN ITS ACTIVITIES.

3. COMMISSION BELIEVES UNESCO TOOK CONCRETE STEPS AT GENERAL CONFERENCE TO DO SO. IT THEREFORE NOW STRONGLY SUPPORTS SECRETARY VANCE'S REQUEST FOR APPROPRIATION OF \$69.3 MILLION SO THAT U.S. CAN PLAY ROLE ENVISAGED FOR IT IN THE ORGANIZATION. IT DOES SO IN THE BELIEF THAT UNESCO IS NOW IN A POSITION TO CONTRIBUTE AS IT SHOULD TO WORLD-WIDE PEACE BY PROMOTING DIALOGUE, COOPERATION AND UNDERSTANDING AMONG ALL COUNTRIES THROUGH EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND CULTURE.

4. SIGNED - LEONARD H. MARKS, CHAIRMAN, U.S. ADVISORY COMMISSION ON INTERNATIONAL EDUCATIONAL AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS.  
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